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8. SEVERAL DELS, NOTABLY CANADA, AUSTRIA, AND USSR, POINTED TO TROUBLESOME POSSIBILITIES IN NOVEL NOTION THAT PROPERTY IN RETURNED CB SAMPLES WOULD VEST IN UN. SOVS ASKED HOW THIS WOULD SQUARE WITH SUBPARA (5) REQUIREMENT THAT EXPLORING STATE DISSEMINATE SAMPLES TO ALL REQUESTING STATES. SOVS' QUESTIONS PRODUCED HOT REACTION FROM MEXICO WHICH DESCRIBED SOME AS IN "SUCH BAD TASTE" AS NOT TO DESERVE ANSWER FROM INDIAN OR ANY OTHER DEL. SOVS LATER SAID THEY WERE "DEEPLY SADDENED" BY MEXICAN COMMENT WHICH MISUNDERSTOOD THEIR EFFORTS TO CLARIFY BOTH MEANING AND PRACTICAL EFFECTS OF INDIAN PROPOSAL.

9. IN DELIBERATELY LOW KEY INTERVENTION, STRESSING OPERATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS, US ALT REP FOCUSED ON POSSIBLE PRACTICAL CONSEQUENCES OF INDIAN ATTEMPT TO DEAL WITH MORATORIUM QUESTION EMPHASIZING THAT MORATORIUM REMAINS UNACCEPTABLE TO US, HE SAID INDIAN PROPOSAL WOULD REQUIRE MUCH FURTHER STUDY, PARTICULARLY BY OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH OPERATION OF US SPACE PROGRAM, WITH REGARD INTER ALIA TO ITS EFFECTS ON CURRENT US PRACTICES IN SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION. AS PRELIMINARY  
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OBSERVATION, HOWEVER, HE SAW PARTICULAR PROBLEMS IN UN PROPERTY PROVISION, REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE SAMPLES TO ALL REQUESTING STATES (IN VIEW INTER ALIA OF EXTREMELY LIMITED QUANTITY OF SUCH SAMPLES WHICH ALREADY REQUIRED GREAT SELECTIVITY IN CHOICE OF INVESTIGATORS) AND IN BURDENSOME NEW REPORTING PROVISIONS.

10. AT CONCLUSION OF DAY'S DEBATE INDIAN REP STATED HE WAS GLAD PROPOSAL HAD STIMULATED SO MANY QUESTIONS AND THAT IT WAS NEGOTIABLE IN ALL ITS ASPECTS. IN ENSUING DAYS, HOWEVER, IT APPEARED THAT BARRAGE OF ANALYSIS, MOST OF IT CRITICAL, HAD INHIBITED INDIANS FROM PRESSING PROPOSAL FURTHER. IN ANY CASE, NOTHING MORE WAS HEARD OF IT DIRECTLY.

11. ON LAST DAY OF SCHEDULED DEBATE ON MOON TREATY IT WAS APPARENT THAT POSITIONS REMAINED FROZEN ON BOTH SIDES OF "COMMON HERITAGE" CONTROVERSY AND ON RESOURCE EXPLOITATION GENERALLY. AS MUCH IN ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE OVERALL ATMOSPHERE AS IN ANY EXPECTATION IDEA MIGHT BE ACCEPTED (CANADA HAD ALREADY STATED DOUBTS AS TO ITS UTILITY) US REP SUGGESTED ON AD REFERENDUM AND PERSONAL BASIS THAT DELS CONSIDER DROPPING EXPLOITATION ARTICLE IN TOTO. THIS APPEARED TO BE ONLY WAY IN PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES TO ENABLE FURTHER PROGRESS ON TREATY AS WHOLE. US CONSIDERED THAT REMAINING TEXT CONTAINED USEFUL EXPANSION ON OST IN AREAS OF SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION; IT THUS MIGHT BE BEST TO VIEW TREATY EXCLUSIVELY IN CONTEXT OF NAVIGATION, EXPLORATION AND SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION, AND PUT ASIDE VEXED QUESTIONS REGARDING WHAT AFTER ALL WAS AT BEST LONG-TERM FUTURE CONTINGENCY.

12. REACTION WAS PREDICTABLY MIXED. SEVERAL DELS STRESSED THEY (AND THEIR GOVERNMENTS) WOULD NEED TIME TO THINK US PROPOSAL OVER. NONE, HOWEVER, CATEGORICALLY REJECTED IT. BRAZILIAN DELOFF LATER TOLD US DELOFF PRIVATELY THAT US PROPOSAL CONTAINED ELEMENT HE FOUND ATTRACTIVE: IT WOULD CLEARLY REDUCE RELATIVE IMPORTANCE OF MOON TREATY AND EMPHASIZE ITS SUBORDINATION TO OST, A POINT WHICH CONTINUED TO BEAR ON BRAZIL'S ULTIMATE  
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READINESS TO AGREE ON TREATY AT ALL. US DELOFF REPLIED THAT WE TOO CONTINUED TO INSIST ON PRIMACY OF OST, AGREEING WITH BRAZILIAN THAT THIS MIGHT FIND REFLECTION IN TREATY'S TITLE (WHICH, HOWEVER, WAS PROBABLY LAST ISSUE THAT WOULD BE DECIDED WHENEVER TREATY MIGHT OTHERWISE BE READY FOR COMPLETION). ABRAMS

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